

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1015  
INFO USDOC WASHDC

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E. O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BTIO, TS  
SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECTS: SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF WATER  
PIPES

REF: TUNIS 3206

TO: MR. D.M. LAMING  
PRICE BROTHERS COMPANY  
DAYTON, OHIO  
TDLX: DAYTON OH 189/182

REFERRING TO YOUR COMMERCIAL CABLE RECEIVED APRIL 27,  
FOLLOWING REPLIES TO SOME OF YOUR QUESTIONS, SUPPLEMENTING  
OUR RESPONSE TO USDOC MESSAGE OF MAY 3.

1. SONEDE DOES NOT DISCLOSE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF  
FIRMS, WHETHER DOMESTIC OR FOREIGN, WHICH PURCHASE  
TENDER DOCUMENTS OR BID ON PROJECTS. HOWEVER WE WERE  
TOLD THAT SEVERAL OTHER COMPANIES HAVE ALREADY PURCHASED  
DOCUMENTS.

2. SONEDE SEEMS DEFINITELY INTERESTED IN JOINT VENTURE  
PLANT TO MEET INCREASED LOCAL DEMAND (SEE OUR REFTTEL).

3. PRESTRESSED CONCRETE PIPES ARE SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING  
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COMPOUND TAXES AND DUTIES: CUSTOMS DUTIES: 19.16 0/0 AND AD.  
VAL.; CUSTOMS FORMALITY TAX : 3 0/0; PRODUCTION TAX: 17 0/0  
FOR CAST IRON PIPES: C.D.: NONE: CFT: 3 0/0 PT: 17 0/0

4. NONE

5. NONE

6. FRIH MAY NOT BE ABLE TO TRAVEL TO US BEFORE 1979  
DESPITE CURRENT AVAILABILITY OF "PARTIAL GRANT" TO BE  
OFFICIAL GUEST OF USG. HE PREFERS TO AWAIT POSSIBLE  
FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF FULL GRANT. WILL LET YOU KNOW  
OF NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

RECENT TALKS REMINDED SONEDE OF YOUR CONTINUING INTEREST  
IN PIPE SALES/PROJECT. WILL SEEK EARLY OPPORTUNITY  
TO MAKE SAME POINT WITH BDETUK

FOR \$800 RECEIVED AT LOCAL BANK (BIAT), WE WILL BE  
BUYING AND DESPATCHING DOCUMENTS SOON.

BEST REGARDS, HARRY MONTGOMERY  
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AMERICAN EMBASSY  
TUNIS, TUNISIA.  
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NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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